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C O N F I D E N T I A L CARACAS 8818

ARA FOR AMBASSADOR VAKY, AMBASSADOR POPPER;

WHITE HOUSE - PHIL WISE; WHITE HOUSE ADVANCE OFFICE
(ALL NIACT IMMEDIATE)

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OTRA, PDIP, PN, PPDC, VE
SUBJECT: SIGNING CEREMONY FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATIES

REF: CARACAS 8791; STATE 212475, 212438

1. ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER INFORMED ME LATE AFTER-
NOON SEPTEMBER 6 THAT IN ADDITION TO FIGUEREDO AND
LAURIA (MENTIONED IN REFTTEL), PRESIDENT WILL ALSO BE
ACCOMPANIED BY DR. HECTOR HURTADO, PRESIDENT OF THE
VENEZUELAN INVESTMENT FUND (CABINET RANK) AND THAT
THESE THREE MEN WILL ALSO BE MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIAL
VENEZUELAN DELEGATION. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING,
HOWEVER, THAT THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE FOR THEIR TRAVEL
IS TO TAKE PART IN THE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE OTHER
ANDEAN PACT PRESIDENTS.

2. HAVE RECEIVED CONFIRMATION FROM THE MILITARY
HOUSEHOLD THAT PRESIDENTIAL AIRCRAFT IS SCHEDULED TO
ARRIVE ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE 1000 HOURS SEPTEMBER 7.
I UNDERSTAND OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION
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CONCERNING THE CREW HAVE ALREADY BEEN SUBMITTED TO
USG BY VENEZUELAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON.

3. ACTING FONMIN SAID THAT PRESIDENT PEREZ WANTED
US TO KNOW THAT HE WOULD PREFER TO DEPLANE TOGETHER
WITH PRIME MINISTER MANLEY. APPARENTLY THE PRESIDENT
BELIEVES IT SOMEWHAT UNSEEMLY FOR MANLEY TO REMAIN

ABOARD THE AIRCRAFT DURING PEREZ' ARRIVAL CEREMONY.

4. ACTING FONMIN SAID HE PERCEIVED NO OBJECTION TO FURTHER CHANGE IN DECLARATION OF WASHINGTON, EXPLAINED IN STATE 212438 BUT WOULD TRY TO CONSULT THE PRESIDENT WHO NOW IS BUSY WITH DETAILS OF HIS TRIP.

5. I PASSED ON SUBSTANCE OF STATE 212475 (THANKING PRESIDENT PEREZ FOR HIS SUGGESTED LANGUAGE ADDITION) ACTING FONMIN PASSED MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT PEREZ WHO SAID HE WISHES TO INSIST THAT HIS ADDITION TO DECLARATION BE INCLUDED. APPARENTLY ACTING FONMIN DID NOT RPT NOT PASS ON ARGUMENTS# CONTAINED PARA 3 OF STATE 212475 AND IS RELUCTANT RAISE MATTER AGAIN WITH PRESIDENT. I SAID I WOULD TRANSMIT PRESIDENT PEREZ' VIEWS. ACTING FONMIN SAID HE WOULD INSTRUCT AMBASSADOR IRIBARREN TO ALSO PASS ON PRESIDENT PEREZ VIEWS.
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NOTE BY OC/T: #AS RECEIVED.

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